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Dear Dick,

Please excuse and understand my failure to answer your undated letter of about a month ago on the Lovelady picture. First, I cannot let anyone see the pictures I was given on that basis. Sorry. But I could not reply sooner.

I have been away most of the past two months, and when I was home I was more than ever overloaded for my wife had her leg in a west and I had her essential chores to try and add to my own plus caring for her. She is ambulatory now. Then, I went to N.O. to work for a while and for the past week I've been working with one of the assistant DA's here and we have several days of work immediately ahead of us. Thereafter, I will have still other extra work, so, I'm loaded. That alone is the reason for the long delay.

My more recent work has been in new areas and has been and I hope will continue to be fruitful.

Hope your speech went well.

Please excuse haste.

Sincerely,

Sprague tells me you were to see Similas? Or was it him?